

SPECIAL CABLES.

FROM THE "HERALD'S" LONDON CORRESPONDENTS.

CHINA.

RUSSIAN MONOPOLY IN MANCHURIA.

VIGOROUS PROTEST OF THE UNITED STATES.

EQUAL RIGHTS TO ALL POWERS.

LONDON, Feb. 20.

Colonel Hay, of the United States Secretary of State, has sent a note to the Chinese Government, insisting upon equal rights and advantages in China being granted to all the Powers. Colonel Hay stated in his note that the Russian monopoly in Manchuria would inevitably lead to similar demands from other Powers for concessions elsewhere in the Chinese Empire, and that the policy of the "open-door" would be wrecked.

GERMAN FORCES IN THE EMPIRE.

LONDON, Feb. 20.

There are indications that Germany contemplates the retention of 800 troops at Shanghai. Germany is also strongly fortifying Kiaochow, her possession in Shantung, for the accommodation of 5000 troops.

THE UNITED STATES.

THE VISIT OF PRINCE HENRY.

LONDON, Feb. 19.

Fifteen thousand members of German society of New York will parade on the 26th inst., on the occasion of the visit of Prince Henry. The Prince intends to visit 20 cities of the Republic.

THE CUBAN TARIFF.

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The views of President Roosevelt as to the tariff of the Cuban tariff have finally been made known. The Committee of Ways and Means of the House of Representatives is applying a bill to raise Cuba's tariff in regard to the tariff arrangements existing between the island and the United States.

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THE LIBERAL PARTY.

STORMY MEETING AT LEICESTER.

A COLOURLESS COMPROMISE.

SIR H. CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN DEFIANT.

AN IMPENITENT LIBERAL.

HOME RULE FOR IRELAND.

AFFAIRS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

PROCLAIMS GOVERNMENT POLICY FATAL.

LONDON, Feb. 20.

After stormy contentions between the Liberal and the Conservative members of the National Liberal Federation, at its meeting at Leicester yesterday, adopted a colourless compromise, in which were recognised the services and the claims of both leaders (Lord Rosebery and Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman).

LAST NIGHT Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman addressed a meeting at Leicester. He defiantly refused to accept a "clean slate" whereon to inscribe a policy for 1902 which would not be that of 1892. He avowed himself an impenitent Liberal.

SIR H. CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN reiterated his adherence to the policy of national self-government for Ireland. An independent Parliament, he said, was never expected by the Irish or contemplated by the Liberals. The self-government of Australia and Canada showed that such a policy would not impair the Empire.

GOING ON to speak of South African affairs, Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman said that the Government policy of unconditional surrender was mischievous and fatal. Such a policy was designed to annihilate the Boer race.

Negotiations towards conciliation would be said, lay the foundation of a future good understanding between the Dutch and the British.

SIR HENRY CAMPBELL-BANNERMAN affirmed that the denial of an amnesty to rebels and the maintenance of the banishment proclamation were the greatest causes of the prolongation of the war.

The speech was received with prolonged applause.

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THE WAR IN SOUTH AFRICA.

REPORTED CAPTURE OF BOTH.

UNRECOGNISED AND ESCAPES FROM REARGUARD.

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An officer in a letter states that prisoners were taken when General Botha's laager was captured at Knapidar. General Botha was also captured, but not being recognised he was placed in charge of the rearguard, and escaped in the confusion.

PROJECTED IMPORTANT MOVEMENTS IN PROGRESS.

LONDON, Feb. 19.

There is a strict censorship over news from South Africa. This is interpreted to mean that Lord Kitchener is organising a big move.

EXECUTION OF A REBEL.

LONDON, Feb. 20.

The rebel Goldenhous has been executed at Middleburg, on a charge of murdering natives. On January 14 a party of 10 rebels, under Goldenhous, captured natives in the district of Gouda, and after robbing them of everything shot them.

THE BOER DELEGATES IN AMERICA.

LONDON, Feb. 19.

Dr. Kuyper, the Premier of the Netherlands, is convinced that the two Boer delegates, Messrs. W. J. van Rensburg and W. J. van Rensburg, will be successful in their attempt to foster friendly relations in the war, will be fruitless.

TRANSFER OF CONCENTRATION CAMPS.

LONDON, Feb. 19.

The inmates of the Pietersburg and Heilbron concentration camps will be sent to the coast and to Durban.

AUSTRALASIAN CASUALTIES.

LONDON, Feb. 20.

Shooting-miscellaneous Albert Spaworth, of the 5th Victorian Contingent, Private George Clarke, of the 5th Queensland Battalion, and Private William Partridge, of the 6th New Zealand Contingent, have died of enteric fever at Charleston.

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THE FEDERAL CON- TINGENT.

THE THIRD BATTALION.

INCREASED ACTIVITY SHOWN.

ANOTHER SUSPICIOUS CASE.

DEATH OF A PATIENT.

YESTERDAY Edward Hilder, lately a colonel in the 3rd Battalion, was a patient in the Prince Alfred Hospital was reported to the Board of Health as suspicious, and the man was placed under observation. He had been working in a produce store in Sussex-street, and his home was in Brixton.

All through the day cleaning operations were carried out in the partly quarantined city block. In connection with the cleaning of Her Majesty's Theatre, the Board of Health has established a theatre and found that the work had been thoroughly and efficiently done, and that the premises were absolutely clean and ready for use.

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The monthly meeting of the committee of the Municipal Association of New South Wales was held Wednesday at the Queen Victoria Hotel. The members present were Messrs. John Wheeler on the chair, Mr. O. G. O'Brien, A. J. Perry, F. C. Curran, T. Hinely, F. R. Crauch, W. H. Simpson, T. West, W. Rigg, and J. G. Kirby. The following business was dealt with:

The committee considered a report on the responsibilities the council had in relation to the placement of nuisances arising from dead stock being left on private lands, reserves, or streets. The secretary, Mr. O'Brien, stated that the council could communicate with the owners, if known, and otherwise should destroy the carcases.

The following Council of Civil Liberties Association, the power, if it is not possible to do so, to

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on President Nixon's visit to the Netherlands. The president and his wife will be accompanied by a large entourage, including the first lady, Mrs. Nixon, and the vice president, Hubert H. Humphrey. The president will be accompanied by a large entourage, including the first lady, Mrs. Nixon, and the vice president, Hubert H. Humphrey. The president will be accompanied by a large entourage, including the first lady, Mrs. Nixon, and the vice president, Hubert H. Humphrey.

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During 1930, 2,000,000,000 lbs. of wool, 200,000,000 lbs. of cotton, 100,000,000 lbs. of rice, 100,000,000 lbs. of sugar, 100,000,000 lbs. of oil, and 100,000,000 lbs. of other goods were shipped from the United States to foreign countries. The total value of these shipments was \$1,000,000,000. The shipping industry is a vital part of the United States economy, and it is essential that it be protected from the effects of the tariff. The shipping industry is a vital part of the United States economy, and it is essential that it be protected from the effects of the tariff.

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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE SYDNEY
COMMERCE

A special general meeting of the members of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce, convened by requisition, was held at 4.30 p.m. yesterday in the

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Wills, but also by the fact that the meeting was held in a calm and dispassionate manner with all matters submitted to his judgment. The Draft speech was equally well received. It was seconded by H. Hudson, J. P. Franklin, F. J. Thomas, and W. C. Willis. The motion was carried unanimously and amid great applause.

During the course of his remarks Mr. Willis referred to the fact that the last day originally fixed for the registration of unions was February 29, 1904, but that it had been postponed to the 1st of March, 1905, or before March 8, as special delegates. Mr. Willis then stated that he had been informed by Mr. J. P. Franklin, officially that the last day for registering unions had been extended to March 8. Several members of the audience then asked Mr. Willis if he had received the date being extended, and they were informed that the date being extended, and they were inclined to doubt the accuracy of the information received. Mr. Willis then stated that he had been informed by several members that employers of a particular kind of labour, who could not separately be registered as employers, but who could be registered as employers of a particular kind of labour, and thus be able to become registered. The proceedings then closed with a vote of thanks to the president.

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